

those nominations to the Senate. The Committee consists of nineteen members.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thomas L. Bromwell, *Chair*
Arthur Dorman, *Vice-Chair*

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The Finance Committee started in December 1831. Originally, it bore responsibility for reviewing all bills concerned with fiscal matters. In 1975, the review of budgetary and tax matters was assigned to a separate committee—the Budget and Taxation Committee.

The Finance Committee considers legislation relating to banking and financial institutions; credit regulation and consumer financing; economic and community development; health and welfare matters; insurance; labor and employment; State personnel issues; racing and lotteries; social programs; transportation; unemployment insurance; utility regulation; and worker's compensation. The Committee has eleven members.

Under the Finance Committee are two subcommittees: Health, and Welfare Reform.

JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS COMMITTEE

Walter M. Baker, *Chair*
Leo E. Green, *Vice-Chair*

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The Judicial Proceedings Committee was established by the Senate in December 1831 as a five-member body first appointed in January 1832.

The Committee is assigned legislation relating to the commercial code; constitutional amendments; criminal and civil laws, penalties, and procedures; equal rights and opportunities; ethics; family law; judicial administration and court structure; juvenile justice; landlord and tenant laws; law enforcement organization; legal profession; legal rights and immunities; public safety and corrections; real property; trusts and estates; and vehicle laws. Eleven senators serve on this committee.

RULES COMMITTEE

Decatur W. Trotter, *Chair*
George W. Della, Jr., *Vice-Chair*

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In November 1796, the Senate formed a committee to "report rules and regulations to be observed in the Senate." Called first the Committee on Rules and Regulations, it came to be known as the Rules Committee.

The Rules Committee considers proposals regarding rules, organization, and procedures of the Senate or the General Assembly. The Committee reviews proposed legislation introduced after the bill deadline in a regular session and decides on re-referral of those bills to other standing committees. The Committee has eleven members.

APPOINTMENTS TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 1994–1996

SENATE

PAUL G. PINSKY (D), Dist. 22, Prince George's County. Appointed to State Senate, Aug. 1, 1994. Sworn in Aug. 2, 1994, to replace Thomas Patrick O'Reilly, who resigned July 11, 1994.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES

RUSHERN L. BAKER III (D), Dist. 22B, Prince George's County. Appointed to House of Delegates, 1994. Sworn in Aug. 11, 1994, to replace Paul G. Pinsky, who was appointed to State Senate, Aug. 1, 1994.

ROBERT C. BALDWIN (R), Dist. 33, Anne Arundel County. Appointed to House of Delegates, Dec. 19, 1994.

Sworn in Dec. 19, 1994, to replace John G. Gary, who was elected Anne Arundel County Executive, Nov. 8, 1994.

CLAY C. OPARA (D), Dist. 41, Baltimore City. Appointed to House of Delegates, Jan. 9, 1996. Sworn in Jan. 9, 1996, to replace Margaret H. Murphy, who resigned Dec. 31, 1995.

ELLEN L. WILLIS (D), Dist. 5, Carroll County. Appointed to House of Delegates, Feb. 19, 1996. Sworn in Feb. 20, 1996, to replace Richard N. Dixon, who resigned Jan. 31, 1996, following his election as State Treasurer.

CARMENA F. WATSON (D), Dist. 44, Baltimore City. Appointed to House of Delegates, Aug. 6, 1996, to replace Elijah E. Cummings, who was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives, April 16, 1996.